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Scholar Honored for Economics Work



PHOTO BY MONETTE AUSTIN BAILEY

The National Economic Association, a non-profit, scholarly organization dedicated to promoting the professional lives of blacks within the field, gave its annual Rhonda M. Williams Dissertation Award to LaShawn Richburg Hayes (second from left). Williams, a labor economist and chair of the Afro-American Studies Program, died in November 2000 after fighting cancer. Hayes, who earned her doctorate in economics from Princeton University, won with her dissertation, "Do the Poor Pay More for Food? Three Essays on the Existence of a Poor Price Differential." Pictured with her are (l-r) Jessica Gordon Nembhard, economist and assistant professor with Afro-American Studies and The Democracy Collaborative holding an outstanding service award given to Williams; Lynn Bolles, acting chair of Afro-American Studies holding the plaque that will bear the names of future dissertation award winners and Mark Turner, with the Institute for Policy Studies at Johns Hopkins University holding a photo of Williams.

Professors Share Expertise, Broaden Reach

As the university zooms into greater prominence through its academic and athletic programs, it is not unusual for professors to include fielding media calls as a regular part of their scholarly duties.

However, reporters have been making regular appearances at the university for intensive sessions with faculty on a number of timely topics as part of a Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) program. CASE Media Fellowships provide opportunities for campuses to host journalists in order to build relationships and educate the media in topics ranging from education to science to health care. It is an obvious bonus for the reporters and editors. Professors also appreciate the chance to offer substantive background for stories.

"I enjoyed getting feedback

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Institute Makes Strides For U.S.-China Understanding

A mutually beneficial relationship between the United States and China hinges on each country increasing its understanding of the other. Expressed by a recent visitor to the campus, this sentiment aptly defines what drives Julia Chang Bloch.

Minister He Yafei, deputy chief of mission with the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Washington, D.C., addressed his remarks to a group gathered in Annapolis Hall as part of the Institute for Global Chinese Affairs' noon U.S.-China relations forum series. Bloch, the IGCA's ambassador-in-residence, organizes the series and is making it her mission to at least increase the campus' understanding of her birthplace.

"I'm becoming an ambassador for the university, a link between IGCA, the cam-

pus and the Washington policy community," she says. "Every great university needs to have a solid China program. That relationship is so important. IGCA was created to begin that process. It should become the locus for China-related activities at the university."

Bloch, who came to the university last fall, brings substantial background in diplomatic relations. She is a former U.S. Ambassador to the Kingdom of Nepal (1989-1993) and past president and CEO of the United States-Japan Foundation, a private grantmaking institution. She has had a distinguished government career, holding various senior positions in the U.S. Senate, the U.S. Information Agency, the Agency for International Development and the State Department.

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Favorite Former President Returns to University System William Kirwan Named as Chancellor

Called an "ideal choice to take over the reins," William "Brit" Kirwan will return to College Park as Chancellor of the University System of Maryland.

In remarks made during a press conference to announce the appointment, Nathan A. Chapman Jr., chairman of the system Board of Regents, added that Kirwan is considered "a native son returning home." His term will begin August 1. Kirwan is currently President of Ohio State University and was president of the University of Maryland, College Park from 1989 to 1998.

He will succeed Donald N. Langenberg, who will retire on April 30 after nearly 12 years as chancellor. An 18-member search committee, comprising USM regents, faculty, staff and students and business and community leaders conducted an extensive national search before recommending three highly qualified individuals for the regents' consideration. The board unanimously selected



FILE PHOTO BY JOHN T. CONSOLI

William Kirwan

Kirwan for the post.

Gov. Parris N. Glendening enthusiastically endorsed the Regents' decision saying, "[Kirwan's] tested leadership and long-standing commitment to higher education are renowned. There is no one who could be a

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Preserving Words, Protecting Paper

Preserving printed materials isn't just in the interest of librarians and archivists. At a recent symposium, a physicist explained that important work is cited in journals and a historian talked about how old textbooks enhance his research work.

The University Libraries, recognizing a higher demand for digital resources and the concurrent cry to preserve texts, recently held "Who Wants Yesterday's Papers? A Symposium on the Research Value of Printed Materials in the Digital Age" so that academicians, librarians and archivists could discuss how to incorporate both demands into their systems.

The well-attended symposium allowed an exchange of ideas about trends in the use and preservation of research materials. Participants represented a diverse array of institutions including federal, state, public, special and museum libraries and archives. Participants came from as far south as North Carolina and as far north as Massachusetts.

Jordan Goodman, chair of the Department of Physics, helped attendees to understand how physicists use electronic data almost exclusively.

"But the most important pieces of their research are the ones eventually collected in printed journals," said Yvonne Carignan, preservation production group leader for the Libraries and one of the symposium's organizers. "And Stephen Brush talked about how he researches the introduction of new scientific concepts through time through textbooks." Brush is Distinguished University Professor of the History of Science with a joint appointment with IPST.

Charles Lowry, dean of libraries, and Acting Dean of the College of Information Studies Bruce Dearstyne opened the program, followed by the presentation of two papers. Eric Linquist talked about the history of the destruction of the book in his paper called "Books and the Iniquity or Wearing of Time" and Mark Roosa, head of the Library of Congress Preservation Directorate, shared "Some Thoughts on the Race Against Time and Inherent Vice: Library Preservation in the Late 20th Century." Carignan understands, and is actively involved in, the preservationists' race.

She makes a distinction

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YOUR GUIDE TO UNIVERSITY EVENTS: APRIL 2-9

TUESDAY

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12:30-2:30 p.m., Faculty Noon Spotlight: Strings and Voice Gildenhorn Recital Hall, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. Faculty artists from the String and Voice Divisions of the School of Music. For more information, contact Amy Harbison 5-8169 or harbison@wam.umd.edu, or visit www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

4 p.m., Physics Colloquium 1410 Physics Lecture Hall. With Lawrence Cardman, Jefferson Laboratory, Newport News, VA: "CEBAF and Jefferson Lab: recent results and future plans." For more information, contact Sheldon S. Smith at 5-5945 or sheldon@physics.umd.edu, or visit www.jlab.org or www.physics.umd.edu.

4-6 p.m., 2002 Outstanding Woman of the Year Award Program Seating Area, Stamp Student Union. See For Your Interest, page 8.

5:30-7:30 p.m., Take Five: Bill Kirchner Concert Hall, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. "Take Five on Tuesdays," a free, informal series offering an opportunity to experience a wide range of artistic areas, presents a talk with multi-talented jazz saxophonist Kirchner. For more information, contact Amy Harbison at 5-8169 or harbison@wam.umd.edu, or visit www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

WEDNESDAY

april 3

9:45 a.m.-12 p.m., OIT Training: Introduction to Electronic Workplace 4404 Computer & Space Science. Geared to the very basic learning needs of those new to Windows and Web computing technologies. There are no prerequisites for this basic course. The fee is \$20. For more information or to register, contact the OIT Training Services Coordinator at 5-0443 or oit-training@umail.umd.edu, or visit www.oit.umd.edu/sc.

3:30-4:30 p.m., Lecture with the Ambassador of Argentina Multipurpose Room, St. Mary's Hall. Amba-

University Volunteer Month Activities

On Sunday, April 7 at 11:30 a.m. Join Happy Helpers for the Homeless in making sandwiches for people who are homeless. The group will meet on campus to make sandwiches. Interested individuals will also have the option of helping deliver the sandwiches in Baltimore from 1-4:30 p.m. You must reserve a space to participate in this project. For meeting location and more information, contact Sara Condon at sara_condon@yahoo.com. For more volunteer activities, visit www.umd.edu/csp or call (301) 314-CARE.

sador Diego Guelar will speak at the Language House as part of the Office of International Programs' Ambassadorial Lecture Series. For more information, contact Tanya Huntington at 5-8933 or thunting@wam.umd.edu.

6:30-8 p.m., Working the Room 2460 A.V. Williams. This seminar will teach participants the art of meeting and greeting effectively. Anna Hart, protocol and etiquette consultant, will teach the tools needed to "work the room." The program is part of the Senior Survival Series. All are welcome. For more information, contact Llatetra Brown at (301) 403-2728, ext. 11 or Llatetra@terpalum.umd.edu, or visit www.alumni.umd.edu.

8-10 p.m., New Music at Maryland Gildenhorn Recital Hall, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. Featuring new works by graduate and undergraduate students of the Theory & Composition Division of the School of Music. For more information, contact Amy Harbison at 5-8169 or harbison@wam.umd.edu, or visit www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

8-10 p.m., SITI Company: Room Kay Theatre, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. A one-woman play that traces a lifetime of writings by Virginia Woolf. Featuring a solo performance by Ellen Lauren. Anne Bogart directs. Tickets are \$25. For more information, contact Amy Harbison at 5-8169 or harbison@wam.umd.edu, or visit www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

THURSDAY

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12:15-1:15 p.m., Walking Towards Wellness 3100E Health Center. This is the first meeting of the faculty/staff walking club. All you need is a

pair of tennis shoes. Walking for 30-45 minutes with 15 minutes of stretching. For more information, contact Jennifer Treger at 4-1493, or treger@health.umd.edu.

5-7 p.m., Spring Fling Happy Hour Golf Course Club House. University Professionals United hosts its First Annual Spring Fling Happy Hour. The Club House is on University Boulevard and the event will be held in the banquet room. RSVP by April 2 to Lisa Fisher at (301) 439-4200.

6-7:30 p.m., Opening Reception, Successions: Prints by African American Artists from the Jean and Robert Steele Collection Art Gallery, Art-Sociology Building. The Art Gallery presents 62 prints and works on paper by some of the most highly regarded African American artists of our time, such as Romare Bearden, Elizabeth Catlett, David Driskell, Jacob Lawrence and Faith Ringgold. For more information, call 5-2763 or visit www.artgallery.umd.edu.

7:45-9 p.m., Lecture on African American Art Art Gallery, Art-Sociology Building. Richard J. Powell, professor of Art and Art History at Duke University, will present "Fin-de-siècle Blues," a lecture discussing recent visual art activities that have emanated from the African Diaspora. The lecture is free, but registration is required. For more information and to register, contact Kim Kindelsperger at 5-2763 or ag210@umail.umd.edu, or visit www.artgallery.umd.edu.

FRIDAY

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8:45 a.m.-4 p.m., OIT Short-course: Introduction to MS FrontPage 4404 Computer & Space Science. Prerequisites:

familiarity with the Windows environment, word processing and use of a Web browser. The fee for the class is \$90. For more information or to register, contact OIT Training Services Coordinator at 5-0443 or oit-training@umail.umd.edu, or visit www.oit.umd.edu/sc.

7 p.m., Gymkana A gymnastics exhibition at Cole Field House. Tickets are available at the door. For more information or to order tickets, call Scott Welsh at 5-2566.

8-10 p.m., Masters of Indian Music Concert Hall, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. Playing the violin, tabla and ghatam, these masters produce the captivating and ethereal music of India. With Shankar, double string violin, and Zakir Hussain, tabla. Tickets are \$35. For more information, contact Amy Harbison at 5-8169 or harbison@wam.umd.edu, or visit www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

8-10 p.m., Teatro de la Luna Kogod Theatre, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. Performed in Spanish with simultaneous translation into English. Cuentos de Hadas (Fairy Tales) by Raquel Diana. Post-performance question-and-answer session in Spanish. Tickets are \$20. For more information, contact Amy Harbison at 5-8169 or harbison@wam.umd.edu, or visit www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

SATURDAY

april 6

7 p.m., Gymkana A gymnastics exhibition at Cole Field House. Tickets are available at the door. For more information or to order tickets, call Scott Welsh at 5-2566.

8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m., BFSA Spring Dance Grand Ballroom Stamp Student Union. Featuring Lady "D" the hottest DJ in the East. The cost is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Send all selections you would like to hear at the dance to mcothran@deans.umd.edu.

MONDAY

april 8

2-3 p.m., Information and the War on Terrorism: Information Integration and Sensor Fusion 0113/0115 Hornbake Library. The ongoing series on Information and the War on Terrorism presents James Hendler, computer science department. For more information, contact Diane Barlow at 5-2042 or dbarlow@deans.umd.edu.

6-9 p.m., Microsoft PowerPoint: Creating Effective Computer Presentations

4404 Computer and Space Science. The fee is \$10 for students, \$20 for faculty/staff and \$25 for alumni. The class will provide a basic introduction to the elements of designing effective, professional-looking slide, overhead and computer-based presentations. For more information or to register, contact Carol Warrington at 5-2938 or cwpost@umd5.umd.edu, or visit www.oit.umd.edu/pt.

TUESDAY

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7:30-8:45 p.m., An Evening with Langston and Martin Kay Theatre, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. Actors Danny Glover and Felix Justice offer critically acclaimed portrayals and readings of the works of Martin Luther King Jr. and Langston Hughes. The cost is \$10 for students, \$30 general audience. For more information, contact Beth Workman, 5-5722 or bworkman@bsos.umd.edu. (Also see article on page 5.)

12 p.m., Xinjiang: China and Political Islam in the Post-Taliban Era 0105 St. Mary's Hall. With Justin Rudelson, executive director, IGCA; George Quester, professor; and Graham Fuller, scholar and author. Sponsored by the Institute for Global Chinese Affairs.

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Information, Not Necessarily Force, Key to Anti-terrorism Efforts

Forget weapons of mass destruction and highly trained troops. To hear some tell it, the weapon of choice for war's new format is information. Those that do the best job of collecting it, analyzing it and using it will win.

Several campus units sponsored "Information, Intelligence and the War Against Terrorism," a day-long look at how information and technology converge to help American troops fight today, and what those troops can do in the future. A quote by Dwight Eisenhower used in a PowerPoint presentation by Jim Hendler seemed to sum up the conference's theme: "...I conceded that more intelligence about their war-making capabilities was a necessity."

Hendler, director of the Semantic Web and Agent Technologies, Maryland Information and Network Dynamics and computer science professor, said, "This country needs a new technology base surpassing anything currently available... it requires an unprecedented coupling of computer power and machine intelligence" to sort through massive amounts of information, find patterns and put them together. An example would be the ability to determine precursors for specific attack scenarios and examine the data over time for indicators.

He echoed comments made by Lee Strickland, visiting professor with the College of Information Studies and chief of the CIA Information Review Group. In an opening session, he remarked that the complexity of the al Qaeda leadership, for example, requires an equally complex mapping of the network. Hendler said much of this is possible "but we must start identifying key new technologies and uniting them to develop interdisciplinary approaches to counter terrorism."

Throughout the day, speakers from on and off campus discussed the technological implications of the September 11 terrorist attacks; how military strategy, business and the American public are affected.

Addressing the military's use of information at the tactical level, Joseph Mait with the Center for Technology and National Security Policy, National Defense University (NDU) discussed the military's plan to convert the Army "from a Cold War construct to a full spectrum combat force" by 2030. This transformation was first envisioned by Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki in the fall of 1999. The Army expects to trade mass for information. As evidenced in Desert Storm, it took months to mobilize five divisions. By relying upon lightweight manned and unmanned ground vehicles, and unmanned aerial vehicles, the Army hopes to move the same 500,000 soldiers in 30 days. To compensate for the reduction in mass, this more responsive, agile and versatile army will network its sensors and vehicles to increase its understanding of a developing situation.

This gathered intelligence, however, is only as good as the military's ability to decipher and use it. Doug Oard, an assistant professor with the College of Information Studies, said, "It is useless to collect this stuff if you don't have a way of finding the pieces you need. You have to be able to translate it."

As for how the American public is deciphering what is going on, Strickland said that his increased requests for presentations in non-military settings is an indication of individuals wanting to grasp this different kind of war. "We're still rooted in traditional concepts, to the extent people understand war at all," he said, adding that many people use the Vietnam War as a frame of reference.

"There's a tremendous demand to understand the U.S. response."

The symposium, which drew approximately 160 people, was co-sponsored by NDU, the College of Information Studies, the Center for International and Security Studies at Maryland, the university's Council for Security and Counter-Terrorism and American Management Systems Inc.

Barber Shop-Hair Salon Serves Dual Purpose

Professor's Business Combines Research, Community Outreach



PHOTOS BY LAURA LEE

As a graduate student, Will Drakeford spent a lot of time in correctional facilities for youth offenders. They were not only his focus for research, but he was also there as an advocate and court monitor to improve educational services. Drakeford said there was always one question the children would ask him that he could never say yes to:

"Could you get me a job?"

"That was their reality. Research was my reality," said Drakeford, now a visiting assistant professor and project associate for the National Center on Education, Disability and Juvenile Justice in the Department of Special Education.

It was five years ago when Drakeford got to a point where he wanted to provide an opportunity for the youth that he was studying and this January he did so with the opening of Drake's Place, a unisex barber shop and hair salon in Lanham. The purpose of Drake's Place is to provide employment opportunities as well as study the youth coming out of correctional facilities, youth with special needs and youth at risk.

"I really saw a need to help a population of kids that were at risk for long-term failure," Drakeford said, adding that there is a disproportionate number of children with disabilities, illiteracy, and African American males in the youth corrections system. "That was a great concern."

Drakeford said that the ultimate goal is to help youth succeed once they are released from corrections. He credits the research and mentorship of the university's Peter Leone and Sheri Meisel as major motivators and encouragement for him to go ahead with his idea. He started saving and investing his money and when the time came he was able to get a spot in a new aerospace center on Greenbelt Road.



This is a typical day at Drake's Place, the unisex barber shop and hair salon created by special education professor William Drakeford to serve the community and to assist his research on youth and corrections facilities. Top, head manager Edward Matthews gives customer Anthony Hargrove a trim as manager Ann Massillon looks on. Above, barber/stylist Daniel McDougall braids three-year-old Dominique Cox's hair.

After evaluating the types of things youth in correctional facilities like to do, Drakeford settled on a vocational trade. "They really enjoy the art of barbering and cosmetology," he said.

He thought it was a solid idea. Drakeford saw barber shops and hair salons as some of the more enduring businesses in the black community. "What better way to do research about something I'm passionate about and provide an opportunity to those who are leaving corrections or at risk?" he said.

Growing up in housing projects in Brooklyn, NY, Drakeford said he can identify with the children that he is reaching out to. "Those kinds of experiences are everlasting," he said. "I feel a need to give back to the community at large."

The shop is very much community oriented. It has an exchange program with Duval High School where two students come three to four times a week to receive mentoring, job training and a class grade. "This is an opportunity for students who have difficulty getting internship experience and

work study experience because they're perceived as slow or inefficient," Drakeford said.

The shop also has outreach services to Avery Garden, a retirement home, and is participating in efforts to boost mentor membership with Big Brother Big Sisters. Drakeford as has local radio disc jockey Lorenzo "Ice Tea" Thomas signed on as a celebrity sponsor. Thomas, who recently released his own clothing line, provides designer styling capes and jackets for the shop as well as time as a mentor.

As for Drakeford's research, he will conduct case studies, surveys, spend more time in youth correctional facilities and help society better understand youth at risk.

Drake's Place currently employs a staff five barbers and six stylists. The bulk of the shop's daily operations is handled by two head managers, one for each section, and a third manager who can fill in. Drakeford said he hand picked professional and experienced employees who could enhance his vision.

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LibQUAL+ is here!



Today, Tuesday, April 2, some lucky students, faculty or staff received an electronic mailing inviting them to complete a Web-based survey and to enter a drawing for a laptop PC.

If you were selected to help the university Libraries, please take 13 minutes to complete the survey.

The campus is again taking part in a national survey sponsored by the Association of Research Libraries. Results from LibQual+ will help us to improve the quality of service provided (169 other research libraries are participating). For more information about LibQUAL+ go to: www.lib.umd.edu/STAFF/PAS/MIS/LibQual.html.

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Answering a Higher Call Hudson Pursues Ministry, Ordination

Although her mother made sure she went as a child, Rae Hudson hadn't been an avid church goer during most of her adult life. She sent her children off to participate in youth activities in her neighborhood church, though she and her husband didn't go to service themselves.

One Sunday, Hudson's husband, who often worked during traditional service times, suggested they go to church.

"In the first few minutes I could have joined right then and there," Hudson said about the visit. "I got involved in going to church on a regular basis. I wanted to do more."

A few years later Hudson, the coordinator of external affairs for the School of Public Affairs, finds herself nearing the end of a three-year process to become an ordained deacon in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church. In November of this year she will be officially ordained and given more responsibilities in the church. Hudson will be able to conduct services such as funerals, weddings and baptisms and she will continue to give sermons as she does now, but she will be allowed to wear a robe while doing so.

When Hudson first got involved in the ministry, she didn't set out to become a minister. She began going to Bible study classes. She remembers one in particular that discussed where you go when you die, which she says prepared her for her sister's death in 1998. She continued studying and had worked her way up to three Bible studies a week. "I couldn't get enough," she said. "The more I learned, the more I wanted. I was wearing Bibles out."

Finally, Hudson said she was "called" in 1999 while on a women's retreat with her church. One night, alone in her room with no television, she said she got the call from God to preach. "He told me he wanted me to go out and tell the people," she said.

Hudson has since enrolled

in Evangelical Theological Seminary in Harrisburg, Va., and takes training courses from the AME church. She is currently in Odenton at Mt. Zion AME Church, a four-year-old church with a small congregation, where she gives sermons about once a month and organizes workshops



Rae Hudson, who works as coordinator of external affairs for the School of Public Affairs, is nearing the process to become an ordained deacon in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

and seminars.

Before she got into the ministry, Hudson said she didn't have any public speaking experience. Now that she's had more practice she said she still gets nervous, but the "spirit" guides her through her sermons.

She said she does not want there to be a separation from her church life and her work life. While her duties for the School of Public Affairs include the putting together the school's newsletter and marketing materials, she said her colleagues are aware of her ministry and some of them came to her after September 11 and asked for advice.

Earlier this month Hudson gave a sermon on campus for the Black Ministries Program by invitation of chaplain Ruby Reese Moone.

After her ordination, Hudson will continue to work at her church in Odenton, but she says she does not know what the future holds for her.

"I feel that God is calling me to do something bigger, but I have no idea what that is," she said. "I have no clue. I'm just waiting."

Teachers Awarded Distinguished Title

The six Fall 2002-2003 Distinguished Scholar-Teachers represent excellence in physical, mental and theoretical areas of study. As with past selections, this year's class was chosen based on peer references, student comments and professional accomplishments. Each honoree will receive \$5,000 for scholarly activities and will present a lecture in the fall.



James Hagberg

PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MITCHEL



Sylvester James Gates Jr.

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Robert Dooling

(<http://www.bsos.umd.edu/psyc/dooling/homebo%7E1.htm>) is probably best known for his work with the auditory systems of birds and humans. Dooling, with the Department of Psychology, is a pioneer in researching the similarities between birds and humans that led to some significant discoveries about the ability to regenerate cells and repair lost or damaged hearing. He has been on campus, and with psychology, since 1981. An Alexander von Humboldt Senior Scientist and NIH Career Scientist award winner, Dooling focuses his mentorship on graduate students, having worked with 10 postdoctoral fellows over the past 20 years.



James Glass

PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MITCHEL



Allan Wigfield

PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MITCHEL

Physicist **Sylvester James Gates Jr.** (<http://www.physics.umd.edu/ep/gates/gates.html>) has been hailed as "one of the five best minds in America" by the prestigious Isaac Asimov Memorial Panel Debate. He is a leader in the areas of supersymmetric particles, fields and strings. Gates is known for making the highly complex mathematically based theories clear and entertaining to all types of audiences. The first African American to hold an endowed chair in physics at any major research institution in the country, Gates receives praise from students and colleagues. On the campus for 14 years, he was also instrumental in developing the physics programs of Howard and Hampton universities and Florida A&M.

James Glass (<http://www.bsos.umd.edu/gvpt/glass/>) has been working with the assumption that to understand political behavior one must first understand human nature. Glass' research on the intersection of psychology and politics brings up questions that are high on the public and academic agenda in light of recent world events. With more than 30 years of teaching experience at Maryland, Glass has been able to "infect" dozens of students with his passion for this area of study, as well as other connections involving behavior. He is given partial credit for heightening the profile of Department of Government and Politics.

As a kinesiologist, **James Hagberg** (<http://www.inform.umd.edu/KNES/faculty/jhagberg/>) focuses his research on health and functional capacity with emphasis on gerontology. Current understanding about how regular exercise influences the occurrence of coronary heart disease, hyper-

tension and diabetes is based on a substantial amount of Hagberg's work. His scholarship has earned him editorial board positions with the American College of Sports Medicine, the American Heart Association Council for High Blood Pressure Research and the American Academy of Kinesiology and Physical Education. During his six years at the university, he has taught both undergraduate and graduate courses, and introduced one of the campus' CORE courses, "Science of Physical Activity and Cardiovascular Health."

Susan Taylor (<http://www.mbs.umd.edu/mao/staylor/>) is lauded as one of the Robert H. Smith School of Business' most high-profile and prolific scholars. She writes and teaches on feedback, stress, recruitment, hiring practices, performance appraisal, turnover, quality management and several other subjects. Taylor also serves on three high profile journals, one of which would be an honor for those in her field: the Academy of Management Review, the Academy of Management Journal and the Journal of Applied Psychology. She came to Maryland's then-College of Business and Management in 1983 and quickly began serving the campus community through committee memberships and assisting student research.

A professor with the College of Education's Department of Human Development, **Allan Wigfield** (<http://education.umd.edu/Depts/EDHD/faculty/wigfield.html>) specializes in researching the development and socialization of children's motivation, with an emphasis on literacy. He is consistently supported through grants from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the Spencer Foundation. Wigfield's colleagues cite his energy, perceptiveness and methodological rigor as reasons he deserves the Distinguished Scholar-Teacher honor. On campus since 1989, he also received a 2001 Outstanding Service to the Schools award from the university.

Connecting Democracy and the Arts

Artists and intellectuals have been in the foreground of opposition movements in oppressive regimes throughout history, often risking their reputations and even their lives to speak openly and even mockingly against political oppression. Danny Glover is among the leading actors who have been outspoken advocates and activists for social justice.

The Democracy Collaborative, in cooperation with the Afro-American Studies Program and the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, will host Glover and fellow actor Felix Justice for "An Evening with Langston and Martin" next week. The performance includes portrayals and readings of the works of Martin Luther King Jr. by Glover and Langston Hughes by Justice. A question and answer session with the actors will follow.

Launched at the university last year, the collaborative is an international consortium of leading academic centers and civil society organizations committed to developing innovative approaches to strengthening the understanding and practice of democracy worldwide. It was founded by Gar Alperovitz, Benjamin Barber, Stephen Elkin, William Galston, Jessica Gordon Nembhard, Gary LaFree and Linda Williams and Virginia Hodgkinson of Georgetown University. The collaborative fosters the strong link between the arts (and artists) and democracy, noting that theater and the other arts expand our capacity to understand the world; giving people the courage to plumb its depths and, at times, to change it.

"Danny volunteered his sought-after services to the collaborative because he shares with us a passion for democracy and the belief that the arts are an essential part of a democratic society," said Alperovitz.

The collaborative is not new to creating opportunities for people to explore democratic ideals through arts. Last April, at a collaborative-hosted International Round-



Danny Glover is known for his activism as well as his theatrical pursuits.

table held in Washington, D.C. one of the five areas covered in the discussion on "The Theory and Practice of Civic Globalism" was this topic. The session took place at the Clarice Center and featured a performance and discussion. Some of the questions considered were: What is the role of arts in a civil society? How can a free democratic society support the arts? Can the arts play a specific role in cultivating civic globalism and a sense of citizenship and civil society across national boundaries? A follow-up roundtable will be held in Berlin in June, where the arts will again be on the agenda.

And Glover is no stranger to the university. In September he gave the keynote address at a dinner for the Baltimore Incentive Awards Program. The awards, which were presented by President Dan Mote, were modeled after a program at the University of California, Berkeley, where Mote served as vice chancellor for university relations before coming to Maryland. The program, which has a scholarship component, is targeted at students who demonstrate uncommon persistence, academic ability and maturity despite adverse life situations.

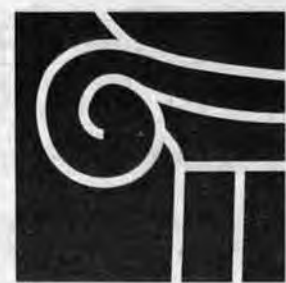
In presenting the College Park audience with dramatic portrayals and readings of civil rights leader King and Harlem Renaissance poet Hughes, Glover and Justice will bring to life one of the major heroes of the 20th century and one of its foremost poets. King's sermons and speeches and Hughes' poems are reflections of the sorrows and joys, and hopes and dreams of all people. Both men address the injustices and oppression suffered by African Americans; their words and deeds speak eloquently and universally to the human condition.

Both dreamed of equality and justice in this nation. King, in his famous "I Have a Dream" speech of August 23, 1963, hoped "that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.' And that one day his 'four children will... live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.' Hughes, in 'I Dream a World,' similarly yearned for a world:

*"Where black or white,
Whatever race you be,
Will share the bounties of the earth
And every man be free,
Where wretchedness will hang
its head
And joy, like a pearl,
Attends the needs of all
mankind
Of such I dream, my world!"*

—Sondra Myers

An Evening with Langston and Martin" will be performed Thursday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Kay Theatre, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$30, \$10 for full-time students with ID. For ticket information, call (301) 405-ARTS (2787).



Notable

Robert S. Gold will assume the position of dean of the College of Health and Human Performance on July 1. He has been acting chair and professor of the Department of Public and Community Health and director of the Public Health Informatics Research Laboratory.

Sally Koblinksky, chair and professor in the Department of Family Studies, has been named a 2002-03 American Council on Education Fellow. The ACE Fellows Program is the premier higher education leadership development program in the country. It identifies and prepares senior faculty and administrators to become skilled in the leadership of change.

Earlene Armstrong, associate professor in the Department of Entomology, was honored as a Distinguished Alumni of a historically black college or university (HBCU) at the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education's national conference in Washington, D.C. Membership of the 33-year-old association comprises 118 of the nation's HBCUs. Armstrong attended North Carolina Central University, which nominated her for the award.

Larissa A. Grunig has been appointed as the University of Maryland representative to the Maryland Work-Life Alliance by Lt. Governor Kathleen Kennedy Townsend. Grunig is a professor in the Department of Communication. The Maryland Work-Life Alliance is a public/private/nonprofit coalition organized by Townsend to help educate employers and the public on the importance of work-life integration, and find solutions to the expanding needs of Maryland's workforce.

Nicole P. Roop, academic coordinator for aerospace engineering, has been elected a member-at-large for the Maryland College Personnel Association Executive Council. The position is a two-year commitment beginning in Spring 2002 and assists the Executive Council in programmatic, professional development, networking and membership activities. Roop is currently working on her doctorate in higher education administration.

Michael King is the new chief financial officer of the University of Maryland College Park Foundation. He is a College Park alumnus, has held several high level financial management positions (most recently as assistant vice president at Trinity College in Washington, D.C.), and is a certified public accountant.

Nelson Marban is the new director of development for individual giving for the Clark School of Engineering. Nelson comes from the United Way of Miami-Dade, where he served as director of UW Direct.

Barbara Quinn is now interim executive director for university development, filling in until Donna Frithsen's position is filled. She will continue with her overall University Relations responsibilities.

Several promotions have been earned in University Publications and Marketing: **John Consoli**, university photographer, has been promoted to creative director, magazines and director of photography. Consoli will also be a member of the marketing and communications management team.

Jennifer Paul's new title is art director, university magazines. **Jason Quick** has been promoted from designer to senior designer, a position left open when **Raissa Ludwig** was selected as assistant director, client publications.

Gillian Harry, production manager, will be taking on accounting responsibility for all financial accounts in marketing, video, communications and publications. She will continue to be the production task master.

Kirwan: Former President's Return Welcomed

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more effective, more respected chancellor than Brit Kirwan."

During Kirwan's tenure as the president, the number of freshman with SAT scores of 1400 and above increased from 49 to 342; the average SAT scores of all freshmen increased from 1057 to 1199; the number of National Academy of Sciences members among the faculty grew from one to 17; sponsored research nearly doubled from \$82 million to \$155 million; annual private funds raised went from \$14 million to over \$65 million; and the university's endowment reached \$158 million from \$36 million in 1988. Ohio State University has experienced similar increases during Kirwan's presidency of that university. He led a fund raising campaign that succeeded in raising \$1.23 billion, making Ohio State only the third public university to raise in excess of \$1 billion in a sin-

gle campaign.

"Brit will bring to the chancellor's position the same enthusiasm, intellect, and leadership skills that made him such a success as president of the University of Maryland, College Park and Ohio State University," said Chapman.

Kirwan, whose two children and two grandchildren live in the state, cites personal and professional reasons for coming back. "I firmly believe that one can go home again," he said. "In some ways Patty and I have never left."

"It's a great honor and privilege to be asked to lead a system comprised of such diverse and wonderful institutions. I am keenly aware of the need for a high degree of autonomy and independence for the constituent institutions and their presidents. The presidents must be strong and visible advocates for their institutions if these

institutions are to realize their full potential. As chancellor, I will be an ardent defender of the presidents' role in this regard."

A native of Kentucky, Kirwan holds a doctorate and a master's degree from Rutgers University; he has a bachelor's degree from University of Kentucky. He is a member of several honorary and professional societies including Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, the American Mathematical Society and the Mathematical Association of America. He is co-editor of the book "Advances in Complex Analysis."

He grew up on the University of Kentucky campus where his father was dean of students, graduate dean and president of the university. Kirwan is married to Patricia Harper Kirwan; his children, William E. Kirwan III and Ann Kirwan Horton, are alumni of the University of Maryland, College Park.

University Develops Online Tutoring Program to Target Local Digital Divide

Program Piloted in Prince George's County Schools



Shirley Morman (center), principal investigator for ProjectLINKS and director of Educational Talent Search, poses with the charter group of ProjectLINKS tutors at the September 2001 tutor orientation.

The University of Maryland Educational Talent Search Program is using hardware and a soft touch to help some 240 Prince George's County middle school students cross the digital divide.

In the program dubbed ProjectLINKS, students from three targeted schools received a new personal computer for their homes and access to an online tutoring program that features a real person — a University of Maryland student — on the other end of the Web connection.

Some of the university and middle school students will meet face-to-face for the first time Friday, April 5 for a 9 a.m. mock tutorial session celebrating the launch of the program. Students and teachers from Kettering, Buck Lodge and Oxon Hill Middle Schools will join university student mentors and campus officials to showcase the ProjectLINKS capabilities. The event will be held in the multipurpose room of the Nyumburu Cultural Center at Maryland. LINKS stands for Linking Information Networks and Knowledge to Students.

ProjectLINKS' specially designed program helps strengthen academic skills and computer competency. It includes computer-based tutorials, skill enrichment projects, an email list serve and online chat rooms for direct interaction with university tutors.

"Human interaction really sets this program apart from others," says Shirley Morman, principal investigator for ProjectLINKS and director of the

Educational Talent Search. "The students and mentors form a personal connection as they work on skills directly tied to the students' actual school-work."

University mentors provide four half-hour online tutoring and homework assistance sessions each week. Many of the mentors are former Talent Search participants who have benefitted from the program's ongoing efforts to help low-income students improve their potential for academic success in college.

Morman notes the online approach developed from a need to expand the reach of a university-based weekend program run by Talent Search. The Saturday Scholars Program brought students to Maryland for academic enrichment activities in one of the computer-equipped classrooms, but it was limited to students who could physically come to the campus.

"With ProjectLINKS there are no such barriers," says Morman. "We can reach the students who are most in need; those who have access to the fewest resources to prepare themselves for success in a competitive world."

The program targets low-income students who would be the first in their family to attend college, have demonstrated the need for academic support and enrichment and lack access to a computer at home. The project is based in schools not currently served by Talent Search programs. ProjectLINKS is funded by a

\$600,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education Office of Post Secondary Education. NCS Technologies of Sterling, Va. funded the purchase of computers for each student.

Teachers and administrators from the county schools have been integrally involved in the project's development since planning started in October 2000. "This is an excellent project to counsel and support deserving students to help make sure they are adequately prepared both academically and technologically to pursue their dreams of a college education," said Superintendent of Prince George's County Schools Iris T. Metts.

Morman adds, "This is a very ambitious program that seeks to help solve a global problem using focused community efforts. This is just the beginning. We hope to see the growth of grassroots support to help expand it to more schools."

Special attention has been paid to making the program easy to replicate in other local schools and in other Talent Search school-university partnerships across the country.

The ProjectLINKS demonstration will be held at 9 a.m. on April 5 in the Nyumburu Cultural Center's Multipurpose Room. A reception will follow. Those interested in attending should call (301) 314-7763 or send an e-mail to rsvp@links.umd.edu.

Paper: Libraries Seek Input

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between preservation and conservation. Preservation relates to all activities that maintain collections for use in the original or some other format. Preservation thus includes prevention of damage. Conservation is the physical or chemical treatment of library materials to sustain them in their original form. A lab on campus staffed by a professional conservator, students and full-time employees works to rebind books and mend works. More routine binding is shipped off to a commercial book-binding company.

"And we make recommendations for proper storage and shelving," she said. Some of the paper her department handles is so brittle that it breaks at the binding or when handled. The acidic deterioration isn't reversible, so one option is to box the book. Another option, said Carignan, is to preserve a photocopy on what is called permanent paper. In some cases, they can just replace the book with a reprint.

Another panel, "Digital Demand vs. Paper Pleas," brought together academic faculty from diverse disciplines to talk about their research requirements for both traditional materials and rapidly evolving digital resources. Martha Nell Smith, with MITH, moderated this panel with Brush; Neil Fraistat, English department; Goodman and John Newhagen, with the Philip Merrill College of Journalism. A second panel, "Enduring Value," fostered debate on "how to best preserve library and archival materials in a milieu of limited resources and diverse formats." It

was moderated by Abby Smith, director of programs, at the Council on Library and Information Resources. Sitting on the panel were Walter Cybulski, head of the Quality Assurance Unit at the National Library of Medicine; Phyllis Franklin, executive director of the Modern Language Association; Doug McElrath, curator, Marylandia and Rare Books at Maryland and Nancy Schrock, chief collections conservator at Harvard College Library.

University Libraries struggle with some of the issues common to the group. With limited resources, it is sometimes hard to serve the public in the most efficient manner. Preserving newspapers, for example, is a challenge because of the volume and acidity. "We put them on microfilm, which is extremely long-lived when filmed correctly, but people don't like using microfilm. It can be hard to use," said Carignan. Space is also an issue. It is expensive and there is only so much of it on campus.

"We've gone to off-site shelving."

The symposium, Carignan hopes, is the beginning of a process. She would like the campus community involved. "The outcome of this ought to be a continuing of this dialogue. Educate us on what's important for you and we want people on campus to know what we're doing."

She welcomes comments through email at yc38@umail.umd.edu. The symposium's Web site is <http://www.lib.umd.edu/TSD/PRES/symposium.html>. Abstracts and papers from the symposium will be available at that URL in the near future.

CASE: Fellowships Beneficial

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from a less technical audience," says Jim Hendler, director of the Semantic Web and Agent Technologies, Maryland Information and Network Dynamics and computer science professor. "And I found their questions interesting."

Hendler participated in "Where Is HAL? Today's Computers Are Doing Less and More Than Ever Imagined," held in February. The three-day fellowship examined state-of-the-art computer intelligence and robotics in light of past predictions, present achievements and future directions. Journalists visited the university's Neutral Buoyancy Research Facility, the Space Systems Laboratory and the Human Computer Interaction Laboratory. "The fact that they're coming to us shows the strengths of our department and the university," he adds.

The university is fortunate to host two fellowships during the 2001-2002 session. The second, "Globalization from Both Sides of the Barricades," will be a four-day fellowship held later this month with the goal of helping clarify the contentious issues surrounding the globalization debates. Professors of economics, politics, business, sociology, history and communication will discuss, among other things, a guide to the economic machinery of globalization, the new financial architecture of multilateral organizations, civil disobedience and civil society. Participants will take field trips to nearby multilateral organizations and take part in an interactive simulation that puts them in the roles of decision-makers in a global economy.

Each host institution provides room and board for the journalists and their media organizations pay travel

expenses and salary during the fellowship. Twenty-four different programs will be held in Spring 2002 as part of the 2001-2002 CASE program. More than 200 short-term fellowships will be awarded and journalists can select from topics at 22 colleges and universities.

Based in part on the success of this format, the university's media relations associates will begin hosting similar sessions around several topics in which the campus boasts expertise. Steve Halperin, dean of the College of Computer, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences, understands the value of the fellowships. "Not only do we do good things here, but it's important that the world and the community appreciates what's going on," he says. "We compete for these and the fact that we get them is a good thing."

CTE Broadens Development Activities



The most recent Center for Teaching Excellence training session members.

The Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) has done faculty development work in South America, South Africa and even on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. But CTE had never been summoned to appear before a judge.

CTE members, in a two-year-old partnership with the Maryland State Department of Education and the Judicial Institute of Maryland, help judges improve their teaching. While judges spend most of their professional time performing official duties, a number of them

are also called upon to teach new judges some things about taking the bench, to run workshops on new developments in the law or in the judicial system, to show other judges how to incorporate technology into their jobs and other topics relevant to continuing education of the judiciary.

The unusual partnership between CTE and the Judicial Institute has involved CTE Director Jim Greenberg, Associate Director Sue Gdovin, Prof. Kathryn Russell of criminalology and criminal justice and Prof. Wayne McIntosh of

government and politics. The first year's sessions were so successful that one of the participants arranged for CTE to come up to Baltimore to conduct a full day workshop with the entire University of Maryland Law School faculty. CTE was invited to reprise the workshop with a new group of judges at the Judicial Institute in Annapolis this year. All involved have found the experience to be mutually rewarding and expect a continuing relationship in support of the goal of improving judicial education.

Barber: Rebuilding Lives

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Edward Matthews, one of the shop's two head managers, said that when Drakeford approached him about his idea for a shop it was like a godsend because he had always wanted to do something community oriented. He used his veteran's benefits to put himself through to learn barbering school in 1972 and stresses professionalism in the workplace. Matthews also has a first-hand understanding of what kind of support and structure some youth who are at risk need to be successful.

"As a youth I would say I had a problem doing things as a challenge," Matthews said. "If I tried to do something illegal and get away with it, that was a challenge." Instead, he added, people need to be challenged in a positive way. "That's what can happen here."

Johnese Stewart, the shop's other head manager, had a different kind of challenge in front of her after a car accident in 1990 left her with traumatic brain injury. She had to re-learn the basics skills of life such as walking, reading and writing. A stylist for much of her life doing hair in the

neighborhood she grew up in, Stewart was formally educated in the trade four years ago.

Stewart said that if a young person came into the shop with a similar disability she would empathize with their situation. "I'm trying to get them back that the way they used to be," she said. "You can come back."

Stewart's words are echoed in Drakeford's efforts to keep the recidivism rates for youth down. She said he wants the shop to be a model to show that programs like this can keep youth from becoming repeat offenders.

Daniel McDougall, a 21-year-old currently under an apprenticeship, said Drake's Place was a guiding point for him. A specialist with natural hair, he has aspirations of becoming a professional stylist in the entertainment or fashion industry. He is also two months out of a six-month incarceration. Although he had the barbering and styling skills before going to prison he said he "just didn't have a chance to express them."

Now he does.

Bloch: Ambassador Seeks to Offer Campus Opportunities to Explore China

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The energetic ambassador serves as an adviser and visiting professor for two of China's premier universities: Peking University in Beijing and Fudan University in Shanghai. She is at Maryland at least twice a week.

"She is a wonderful person," says Chuan Sheng Liu, vice president of research and the graduate school and director of IGCA. "We thought it was such a good opportunity to have her here."

As she munches a sandwich between commitments, Bloch talks about plans she has for IGCA. In cooperation with the Philip Merrill College of Journalism, it will help launch a journalist-in-residence program in China with Pulitzer Prize-winning Washington Post columnist David Broder serving as the first participant. She is also working with Maryland's Asian American Studies Program to put together this year's celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month on April 30, with an eye toward introducing role models to the university's large Asian population. The noon forums are her way of inviting others to learn about IGCA and what it has to offer students, faculty, staff and those beyond the campus.

"In my first six months with the university, I decid-



PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MITCHEL

Julia Chang Bloch, IGCA's ambassador-in-residence, speaks with Clopper Almon (center), director of the economics department, and Larry Goldberg, a Golden ID student, after a recent Center for International and Security Studies at Maryland forum in Van Munching Hall.

ed to focus IGCA on enlivening and broadening the campus debate on China and to reach beyond the university to the China policy community," says Bloch, whose efforts are as a volunteer. Liu says the institute provides an assistant.

"The forums have been well received. We get people who are tops in their fields to come and speak. We are also getting regulars, people who have come to all the forums, even though they have to pay."

The next forum, "Xinjiang: China and Political Islam in the Post-Taliban Era," will be held April 9. Speakers will be: Justin Rudelson, executive director of IGCA and Graham Fuller, senior political scientist at the RAND Corporation in Washington D.C. and former vice-chairman of the National Intelligence Council at the CIA. George Quester, professor with the Department of Government and Politics, will moderate.

Bloch feels that by offering a wide range of topics and speakers, she can help create a broader understanding of China. She believes that the U.S.-China relationship must go beyond traditional political, military strategic interests. Transnational issues such as the environment and energy are increasingly important. Cul-

Future IGCA Noon Forums on U.S.-China Relations

- April 9 - Xinjiang: China and Political Islam in the Post-Taliban Era
- April 23 - China in the Global Economy
- April 30 - Key Diplomatic Players in U.S. China Policy
- May 7 - China and Taiwan the WTO: Opportunities and Challenges

The first three will be held in 0105 St. Mary's Hall. The May 7 forum will be held in the Maryland Room of Marie Mount Hall. Lunch is served and will cost \$5 for students, \$10 for all others. Reservations can be made. For more information, call the IGCA at (301) 405-0208.

tural understanding is at the core. He Yafei said of presidential summit meetings that it is important that leaders get to know each other, so that when decisions are being made there is some understanding of where the other person comes from. Bloch extends the importance of familiarity to people at all levels.

"There is clearly a need for the IGCA at the University of Maryland," she says.

For Your Interest

Words, Beats and Life

The Words, Beats and Life conference will be held April 6-12 in the Stamp Student Union. Panel discussions and hands-on workshops focused around hip-hop will be held throughout the week. The keynote speakers are scheduled to be Fred Hampton Jr. on April 8, and Tricia Rose on April 9. "The Gathering," a play written by Will Powers, will be presented in Tawes Theatre on April 9. The conference will end with a concert on April 12.

For more information, visit www.wordsbeatsandlife.com.

Arab Women Take On the Texts

The Center for Historical Studies announces a public lecture by Judith E. Tucker, professor of history at Georgetown University, titled "Contesting the Tradition: Arab Women Take On the Texts." Tucker will discuss Arab women who are engaging and reinterpreting the texts, traditions and customs of their societies. The lecture will take place on Thursday, April 4 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in 2154 Tawes.

Tucker is the author or editor of many books on women and gender in the Middle East, including "Women in Nineteenth-Century Egypt" and "Women in the Middle East and North Africa: Restoring Women to History."

For more information, contact Stephen Johnson at (301) 405-8739 or historycenter@umail.umd.edu.

Attitude Is Everything Video Premiere

"Attitude Is Everything" follows a group of students as they deal with a variety of conflicts with their peers. Under the supervision of playwright Wanda Schell, students at the Springhill Lake Community Center developed the script and performed in the video, which is designed to help guide young people toward peaceful resolution of conflict.

"Attitude Is Everything" is designed to be part of a classroom program on conflict resolution and was produced as a joint project of the Democracy Collaborative and the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

The premiere is Sunday, April 7 from 2-4:30 p.m. in 0200 Skinner. A reception will follow the screening.

For more information, contact Tom Ellington at (301) 405-4557 or tellington@gvpt.umd.edu.

Outstanding Woman of the Year Award

The President's Commission on Women's Issues (PCWI) presents the annual Outstanding Woman of the Year Award by President Mote on Tuesday, April 2 at 4 p.m. in Stamp Stu-

dent Union. This year's honoree is Ellin Scholnick, associate provost for faculty affairs and professor of psychology. The PCWI invites the campus community to join in a ceremony and reception to help honor our colleague whose contributions to this campus and to its community of women are legion.

Israeli Journalist to Visit

The Center for Historical Studies at the University of Maryland, in conjunction with the Joseph and Rebecca Meyerhoff Center for Jewish Studies, will hold a lecture and seminar with Tom Segev, one of Israel's best-known journalists and an internationally acclaimed writer on the history of Palestine and Israel.

On Monday, April 8 at 4 p.m., Segev will offer a lecture, "One Palestine Complete: Jews and Arabs under the British Mandate, 1922-1948," in the Multipurpose Room, Nyumburu Cultural Center. On Tuesday, April 9 at 12:30 p.m., Segev, along with Professor Madeline Zilfi, a Middle Eastern specialist in the Department of History, will jointly lead a seminar, "Post-Zionism and Israel's New Historians," in the Maryland Room of Marie Mount Hall.

Segev writes a weekly column for Haaretz, Israel's leading daily newspaper, in which he addresses questions of politics, culture and human rights. He has been a pioneer in rethinking the origins and early development of the state of Israel.

Black Saga 2002: Everyone's a Winner



PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MITCHELL

The three students from Nicolas Orem Middle School (Prince George's County) who made up this year's winning team in the Black Saga Middle School Competition pose with their trophies, their checks and Charles Christian (r), a University of Maryland social geographer who founded Black Saga 10 years ago. "Not everyone gets the top prize, but in this competition everyone is a winner," said Christian. "If the students get a more complete picture of American history, learn about teamwork and develop study skills, then truly each is a winner." The competition was held in Stamp Student Union Saturday, March 23. Fourth- through eighth-grade students from schools in Prince George's, Anne Arundel, Baltimore and Howard counties, and Baltimore City, participated. Beltsville Academic Center won the Elementary School Competition.

Sunday Brunch Cruise

Join the University of Maryland Alumni Association and the Black Alumni Club for the Third Annual Sunday Brunch Cruise aboard the Odyssey. Special guests include the creator of The Boondocks, Aaron McGruder '98 and musical guest Spur of the Moment. The event will include a silent auction to benefit the Parren Mitchell Scholarship Fund. The cruise is Saturday, May 19 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Seating is limited, RSVP by April 12. Advance payment is required: \$45 for Alumni Association members and \$50 for non-members.

For more information, contact Llatetra Brown at (301) 403-2728, ext. 11 or Llatetra@terpalum.umd.edu, or visit www.alumni.umd.edu.

Commencement Regalia Rental

Rental orders are now being accepted through the University Book Center for regalia for this May's commencement. The deadline for guaranteed academic hood colors is Friday, April 4. All orders must be received by Friday, April 26 to avoid additional charges. Visit the book center's Web site at www.ubc.umd.edu and link to Graduation Center for pricing and ordering information.

For more information, contact Melissa Gauthier at (301) 314-7839 or mm369@umail.umd.edu, or visit www.ubc.umd.edu.

Memory & the Invention of Jewish History

Jewish Studies will be sponsoring a two-day conference titled "Memory and the Invention of Jewish History," April 14-15, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday and from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Monday.

For more information, e-mail jwst@arhu.umd.edu or visit www.inform.umd.edu/JWST.

Perspectives on Minority Achievement

The Maryland Institute for Minority Achievement and Urban Education (MIMAUE) is sponsoring a Spring 2002 Colloquium Series, "Perspectives on Minority Achievement." The series will provide a forum for faculty, staff, students and the public to examine views and issues on minority achievement, including: the levels of achievement of different racial, ethnic and economic groups within the schools of Maryland; various factors contributing to "achievement gaps"; and suggestions for needed research in each area.

The series will take place on April 9, April 23 and May 14 in the College of Education, 1121 Benjamin Building. Each series will be held from 4:15 to 6:00 p.m. All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact Martin L. Johnson, director of MIMAUE at mj13@umail.umd.edu or visit www.education.umd.edu/MIMAUE.